

Summary of Applicant Initiated Examiner Interview

Per 37 CFR § 133(b), the following is a brief summary of the Examiner interview conducted September 22, 2009 via telephone between Examiner Shang and Steven M. Freeland, Attorney of Record.

Claims 1, 5 and 11 were discussed. Specifically, claim 5 was discussed relative to the cited references and the pending rejection. Examiner Shang recommended amending claim 5 into claim 1 and making similar amendments to independent claim 11.

Examiner Shang agreed that claim 5 is allowable over the applied references and that should Applicants amend claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 5 and amend claim 11 to include limitations similar to that of claim 5, then claims 1 and 11 would be allowable over the applied references and their combination. Examiner Shang stated that the amended claims 1 and 11 would be allowable over the art of record.

Claim 1 was further discussed relative to the applied combination of Chor and Beatty. The Examiner maintained the rejection and the interpretation of Beatty. No agreement was reached relative to the current rejection of claim 1 over Chor in view of Beatty.

No exhibits were shown and no demonstrations were conducted.

Therefore, an agreement was reached that claims 1 and 11 would be allowable over the known and applied prior art if claims 1 and 11 were amended to include the limitations of claim 5.